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corps, because the phrase "secret service" always puts into my mind a picture of the wild-eyed, bearded anarchist, whom I most heartily detest.

What this remarkable diplomatic freedom did in Washington was honestly done in the interests of his country. A Russ understands honor in the rough, but he lacks all those delicate shadings which

words in the vocabularies of the Gaul and Saxons. And while I do not uphold him in what he did, I cannot place much blame at the count's door. If, indeed, in his place, and given his cast of mind, I might have done exactly as he did. Russia never asks how a thing is done, but why it is not done. Ah, these Aspasia, the Circes, these Calypsoes, these Cleopatras, with their blue, their gray, their amber eyes! I have my doubts concerning Jonah, but, being a man of full faith, I believe in the story of Eve. And yet, the woman in this case was absolutely innocent of any guile, unless a pair of eyes as heavenly blue as

Pardon me this long parenthesis. By this time, no doubt, Mr. Robert has entered the restaurant. What shall I tell him rather than this aimless chain of thought?

Mr. Robert's appetite, for a healthy young man was strangely incurious. He attacked the menu with a look of hope, and then from bottom to top; nothing excited his palate. Whenever persons entered the room he would look at them and feel his heart sink lower and lower. I don't know how many times he was disappointed. The waiter ahemmed politely. Warburton, in order to have an excuse to remain, at length bit upon a partridge and a pint of Chablis.

Nine o'clock. Was it possible that the colonel and his daughter were dining in their rooms? Perish the possibility! And he looked in vain for the count. A quarter past ten. Mr. Robert's nerves were becoming almost unendurable. Nine-thirty. He was about to surrender in despair. His nerves were more than human. He was alone and he was on the point of demolishing it, when, behold! they came. The colonel entered first, then his daughter by her hand—on the arm—the count. Warburton never fully described to me his feelings at that moment; but, knowing him as I do, I can, in a together, very respectable picture of the chagrin and consternation that sat on his countenance.

"To think of being nearly six days aboard," Mr. Robert once bawled at me, wrathfully, "and not to know that the Bugan Ship knew her! It was almost incredible that without extra happen-

The three sat down at a table seven times removed from Warburton's. He could see only an adorable profile and the colonel's handsome, but care-worn face. The count sat with his back turned. In that black evening gown she was simply beyond the power of adjectives. What shoulders, what an incomparable throat! Mr. Robert's bird grew cold; the bouquet from his glass lighted and died away. How her face glowed with color and laughed, and she laughed so merrily! What a delicious curve ran from her lips to her young bosom! But never once did she look in his direction. Who invented mirrors? The exception to the rule. There were mirrors in the room, but Mr. Robert

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er did not realize it. He has since confessed to me that he hadn't the slightest notion how much he loved her. Of such is love's young dream! (Do I worry you with all these repetitious details?)

At 10 o'clock Miss Annesley rose, and the count escorted her to the elevator, returning almost immediately. The colonel drew their heads together. From time to time the count shrugged or the colonel shook his head. Again and again the Russian dipped the end of his pipe into his coffee cup, which he frequently replenished.

But for Mr. Robert the gold had turned to gilt, the gorgeous to the gaudy. She was gone. The imagination moves as swiftly as light, leaping from one castle in air to another, and still the count was the architect of some fine ones. I may safely assure you. And he didn't mind in the least that they tumbled down as rapidly as they came. The golden dream was gone. What the colonel had to say to the count, or the count to the colonel, was of no interest to him; so he made an orderly retreat.

I am not so old as not to appreciate his slothful, stolid, and a little hard, even when made of the softest down. In the morning he telephoned to the Hol-

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